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The Weekly Newsletter for Faculty and Staff

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STRATEGIC PLAN OPEN FORUM HELD YESTERDAY

Provost William W. Durgin yesterday convened an open forum on Cal Poly's Strategic Plan entitled New Strategic Directions. The strategic plan will guide the university's development for the next ten years. Members from five working groups gave updates, reported information and gave recommendation on five key areas, including Interface Disciplines, Global Perspectives, Project Based Learning, Information Technology and Graduate Education. Students, faculty and staff attended the two-hour session in Chumash Auditorium. For more information about the Strategic Planning process, call academic affairs at ext. 2186 or visit

<http://www.academicaffairs.calpoly.edu/provost/strategic.html>

MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES PRESENTS INTERNATIONAL FILM WEEK MAY 19-22

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures presents movies exploring cinematic encounters from around the world. Screenings run from 7-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, May 19-22, in the Erhart Agriculture Building, Room 128. On successive dates, movies to be shown are "Prisoner of the Mountains," "Motorcycle Diaries," "Benny's Video," and "Water Drops on Burning Rocks." Each screening includes a cold buffet and open discussions led by university faculty. For more information, visit

<http://cla.calpoly.edu/ml/currentquarterinfo/cqinfo.html> or contact Corinna Kahnke at ckahnke@calpoly.edu.

FORUM ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN ARAB WORLD SET FOR MAY 22

International Education and Programs is sponsoring a Forum on Higher Education in the Arab World, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, May 22, in the Keck Lab of the Advanced Technology Laboratories. (Note corrected location.) Moderator and Journalism Professor John Soares will lead a discussion about higher education in the Middle East and North Africa.

Panelists include Algerian Fulbright Visiting Professor Fouad Bouguetta, USC Professor Emeritus and Cal Poly Research Scholar George Bekey, College of Engineering Dean Mohammad Noori, retired World Bank representative David Fretwell, International Education and Programs Director John Battenburg, Food Science Professor Hany Khalil, and College of Engineering student Lori Atwater. Question and answer session will follow. For further information, contact John Battenburg at jbattenb@calpoly.edu or ext.

6-2945.

CAL POLY WOMEN'S CLUB TO HOLD FUNDRAISER MAY 22

The Cal Poly Women's Club will host a benefit performance of "My Fair Lady" at the San Luis Obispo Little Theatre on Thursday, May 22. The evening will include the musical play, a raffle and refreshments. Proceeds will help fund Cal Poly student scholarships. Tickets are \$15. For reservations and more information, call 544-8255 or 544-0124.

CORPORATION BOARD MEETING SET FOR MAY 23

The Board of Directors of the Cal Poly Corporation will hold a regular meeting Friday, May 23, at 8:30 a.m., in the Corporation Administration Building, Room 124. This is a public meeting. For further information about this meeting or to obtain a copy of the meeting agenda, contact Bonnie Murphy, executive director, Cal Poly Corporation, ext. 6-1131.

FULBRIGHT EXPERIENCES, OPPORTUNITIES SESSION FOR FACULTY MAY 23

International Education and Programs and the Center for Teaching and Learning will sponsor a session on Fulbright experiences and opportunities for Cal Poly faculty on Friday, May 23 from 11 a.m.-noon in the Library, Room 510B. Panelists include Communications Professor Fouad Bouguetta, Fulbright visiting scholar from Algeria to the U.S.; International Education and Programs Director John Battenburg, Fulbright Scholar in Tunisia; Computer Science Professor Mei-Ling Liu, Fulbright Scholar in Macedonia; and English Professor Carol MacCurdy, Fulbright Scholar in Hungary.

This session will allow faculty to learn about the Fulbright application and selection process and become familiar with the Fulbright Scholar Program. All faculty considering applying for a Fulbright Award are encouraged to attend. For details, contact John Battenburg at jbattenb@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2945.

CAMPUS HOSTS LIVE FEED OF MARS LANDING MAY 25

Come witness a momentous event at Cal Poly this month, when the Phoenix Mars Lander touches down on the Martian arctic to investigate water ice. Everyone is invited to watch a live broadcast of the landing, scheduled at 4:36 p.m., Sunday, May 25, in the Cal Poly Orfalea College of Business Rotunda Building, Room 213. Cal Poly Physics Professor John Keller will give a public talk on the mission prior to the landing. Keller is a planetary scientist who worked with the Mars Odyssey spacecraft, which discovered buried water ice on Mars. His talk is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/May/mars-landing.html.

CHANGE IN CLASS SCHEDULE ON TUESDAY, MAY 27

Academic holidays are observed on two Mondays during Spring Quarter 2008—Cesar Chavez' birthday on March 31 and Memorial Day on May 26. In accordance with Academic Senate Resolution AS-635-05, in order to ensure that the quarter consists of a minimum of nine offerings of Monday schedules, we will observe a Monday schedule on Tuesday, May 27. The Tuesday schedule will not be offered on that day. Monday, May 26 is an Academic Holiday. On Tuesday May 27, Cal Poly will follow a Monday class schedule. The normal schedule will resume on Wednesday, May 28 with a regular Wednesday schedule.

Those offering instruction on Mondays or Tuesdays should pay special attention to this change and alert their students accordingly. For more information, visit http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadprog/acad_cal/2007_08cal.htm or contact Academic Programs at acadprog@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-2246.

UU ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 28

The ASI University Union Advisory Board is seeking representatives from the College of Science and Mathematics and the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences. The UUAB is the official advisory board to the University President and ASI Executive Director regarding UU fee funded facilities, programs, and services. Membership on the UUAB provides a “front row seat” for experiencing issues involved with the University Union, Recreation Center and Sports Complex operations.

If faculty and staff know of students interested in learning problem solving skills, multi-million dollar budgeting, and facility master planning, direct them to the ASI Student Government Office, University Union, Room 202, for an application. A letter of recommendation from faculty or staff is recommended, but not required. Applications are due to the ASI Student Government Office by Wednesday, May 28, 5 p.m.

FORUMS ON NEW EMAIL AND CALENDAR SYSTEM SET FOR MAY 30

ITS invites employees to attend one of two open forums on Friday, May 30, to learn about Zimbra, Cal Poly's new email and calendar system. There will be Zimbra demonstrations, a review of the timeline for changing from Oracle Collaboration Suite to Zimbra, and time for questions and answers. Content will be repeated at each session, 9 to 10 a.m. in Room 124, Christopher Cohan Center, Performing Arts Center, and 11 a.m. to noon in Room 215, Science North Building. For further information, contact Ellen Stier at ext. 6-5525, or estier@calpoly.edu.

2007-08 FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAM ENDS JUNE 14

Saturday, June 14, is the last day students may work through the Federal Work-Study Program for 2007-08. Work-Study payroll must be submitted prior to the June payroll deadline. Any ‘late’ payrolls will be processed through regular student pay since late Work-Study pay cannot be authorized. During finals week, Work-Study students may work up to twenty (20) hours. The last day FWS students may work is Saturday, June 14.

There is no Federal Work-Study during summer quarter. The 2008-09 Federal Work-Study Program will resume September 7.

ENGINEERING DAYS SUMMER CAMP SET FOR JULY 14-18

The College of Engineering is hosting the second annual Engineering Days Summer Camp for high school students. During the week-long day camp July 14-18, campers will attend eight engineering labs, tour two local companies, hear from Chevron and NASA guest speakers, and have a day of fun on campus. Encourage any high school student who might be interested in engineering to apply at <http://engdays.calpoly.edu/>.

PRESIDENT BAKER APPOINTED TO U.S.-MEXICO SCIENCE BOARD

President Warren J. Baker will serve as a member of the board of governors for The United States-Mexico Foundation for Science (FUMEC). FUMEC was established in 1992 as a bi-national, non-governmental body, through an agreement between Mexico and the United States to promote and support scientific and technological collaboration between both countries. It is supported by an endowment fund, established with contributions from the U.S. and Mexican federal governments. For more information, visit http://calpolynews.calpoly.edu/news_releases/2008/May/Baker.html

OUTSTANDING FACULTY ADVISOR WINNER ANNOUNCED

Recreation, Parks and Tourism Administration faculty member Cynthia Moyer has been selected as the university's 2007-08 Outstanding Faculty Advisor. Moyer's nominations depicted her robust contribution to not only advising in her department, but to her college, the university, and on a national level. She was described in nomination letters as knowledgeable, skilled, encouraging, approachable, and "the glue that keeps us together...a well rounded source of information coupled with genuine interest for any student." The Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award was developed to recognize outstanding achievement by a faculty member in the area of student advising.

Other nominees for the Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award were Leanne Berning, Wyatt Brown, Kathy Chen, Leonard Davidman, Gregg Fiegel, Cristina Firpo, Michael Geringer, Stan Henderson, Roya Javadpour, Lynn Metcalf, Astrid Reeves, Gerry Ritchie, Richard Savage, Clint Staley, Emily Taylor and Dan Waldorf.

STATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted on <http://calpolyjobs.org>. To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

#101656–Director of Employment Equity, Administrator III, Academic Affairs, Employment Equity, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: June 9.

This Internal Recruitment Is Open to Cal Poly Employees Only—State, Corporation, and ASI

#101566–Lead Custodian, University Housing, Housing and Business Services, \$2,677-\$4,204/month. Closes: June 2.

#101672–Police Officer, Administration and Finance, University Police, \$4,135-\$5,699/month. Closes: May 29.

#101674–Web Applications Programmer, Analyst/Programmer-Career, Library, Library Information Technology, \$4,314-8,831/month, anticipated hiring range \$4,314-\$7,224/month. Open until filled. Review begins: June 6.

#101679–Director of University Housing Finance and Business Operations, Administrator II, Student Affairs, University Housing, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: June 20.

#101680–Energy Projects Manager, Administrator I, Administration and Finance, Facilities Services, salary commensurate with experience. Closes: June 15.

#101684–Assistant Coordinator, Orientation Programs, Student Services Professional II, Student Affairs, Student Life and Leadership, \$3,519-\$5,002/month. Closes: June 13.

#101685–Assistant Director, Alumni Relations, Administrator I, University Advancement, Alumni Relations, salary commensurate with experience. Open until filled. Review begins: June 16.

CORPORATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Cal Poly Corporation is a separate corporation operating in concert with the university to provide a diverse range of services and resources to students, faculty and staff. For an application, visit Human Resources in the Foundation Administration Building, check the Web site at www.calpolycorporation.org or call ext. 6-7107.

Catering Chef, Campus Dining, \$38,772-\$56,202/year. Requirements: High school degree or equivalent and five years of progressive experience in upscale banquet catering and dining, preferably in a university environment or full service quality hotel or restaurant. Culinary Arts Degree or A.C.F. certification desired. Willingness to work irregular hours, including weekends and evenings; computer literacy; and ability to lift/carry 50 pounds. Generous benefits, including paid vacation and holidays, sick leave, medical, dental, vision, life insurance and a retirement program.

ASI EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Employment candidates are asked to visit www.asi.calpoly.edu to complete an application and apply for positions listed below. For more information, contact the ASI Business Office in UU, Room 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

Teacher, ASI Children's Center, \$12.28/hour with excellent benefits. Closes: May 30.

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